



NEWSLETTER

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Headteacher: Mrs S. M. Newton BA Hons QTS 27th January 2023

Teachers Industrial Action

You may have heard from media coverage that the teaching union NEU has declared strike action due to a national dispute between the union and the Government over teachers' pay.

I wanted to inform you that this will not impact Twelve Apostles as the vast majority of our teachers are not in this union therefore school will be open and operating as normal .

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon to Visit Twelve Apostles 7th February 2023

We are delighted that Archbishop Malcom will be visiting our school and all look forward to giving him a true Twelve Apostles welcome. He will be joining us for assembly, prayer and liturgy and will be visiting the children in each class.



Year Group Topics for the Spring Term

The topics for this term can be found on our school website under the tab **classes** and then the **year group tabs**. Please do take a look at what your child will be learning this term so that you are able to support them in their new learning.

Chinese New Year Celebrations

Through Links with St Mary's HS the Confucius Team came into school and delivered the following workshops to the children in Year 5 and 6. They were so informative and the children thoroughly enjoyed learning about:

- Chinese calligraphy
- Chinese costume (try on)
- Chinese Taichi



Star of the Week



We are
not SUCCESSFUL
because We are Smart.
We are
SUCCESSFUL
when we
work hard.

Congratulations and well-done to all our stars!

Friday 20th January 2023

- Reception – Edie-Rose T and Lex B
- Year 1 – Hollie R
- Year 2 – Oscar G
- Year 3 – Macie H
- Year 4 – Jacob L
- Year 5 – Kelvin O
- Year 6 – Evie D

Friday 27th January 2023

- Reception – Rosie L and Matilda D
- Year 1 – Millen C
- Year 2 – Sienna A
- Year 3 – Spencer R
- Year 4 – Bliss M-O
- Year 5 – Whole Class
- Year 6 – Skyla-Rose G

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



In school



On time

Week Commencing: 16th January 2023

Reception	91.67%	Year 1	92.50%
Year 2	90.42%	Year 3	92.50%
Year 4	97.50%	Year 5	92.08%
Year 6	81.25%		

- Chinese tea & language



Year 3 and 4 Parish Mass St Joseph's – Monday 6th February at 10:00 am

Father Kieran will be celebrating mass at St Josephs in Leigh with Year 3 and Year 4. The children will be travelling by coach to the church.

Everyone is welcome so please come along and join us.



Year 4 Sacramental Preparation Session 2 Monday 13th February in the School Hall

For those children that have completed the enrolment form to make their First Holy Communion this April, this is a reminder that the second sacramental preparation session will be held here in school on **Monday 13th February at 3:15 pm – 4:15pm.**

This is for the children only.

It is really important that your child attends all the sessions in order to be fully prepared to receive the sacraments.

Year 6 Parents Evenings

Tuesday 7th February or Thursday 9th February

There will be an opportunity for parents to speak to Mr Rowlands to discuss their child's progress and also how parents/carers can help their child prepare for the SATs in May.

Week Commencing: 23rd January 2023

Reception	97.50%	Year 1	88.33%
Year 2	97.92%	Year 3	97.92%
Year 4	90.83%	Year 5	97.50%
Year 6	93.75%		



**Congratulations
Year 4 and Year 2&3**

Safer Internet Day 7th February 2023

The theme this year 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'.

Coordinated in the UK by the UK Safer Internet Centre, the celebration sees thousands of organisations get involved to promote the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people.

In the UK, we are celebrating by putting children and young people's voices at the heart of the day and encouraging them to shape the online safety support that they receive.

That is why parents, carers, teachers, government, policymakers, and the wider online safety industry to are asked to take time to listen to children and young people and make positive change together.

This year schools will work with children to answer the following questions:

- What issues really matter to children and young people?
- What changes do they want to see?
- How can we all work together to advocate for them moving forward?

School and home can work together to talk about and respond to online issues, not just for one day, but throughout the whole year.

For more information, please visit the website:
[Safer Internet Day 2023 – UK Safer Internet Centre](https://www.saferinternet.org.uk)

Children's Mental Health Week 2023 6-12th February 2023.

This year's theme is "Let's Connect"

For Children's Mental Health Week 2023, we're encouraging our children and families to connect with others in healthy, rewarding, and meaningful

Miss Grundy will send details of how you can book an appointment online and this will be booked on a first come, first serve basis again.

There is also a meeting for SATs preparation on Thursday 2nd February at 5:00 pm in the school hall. Mr Rowlands would love to see as many parents and children as possible.

Thank you.

Dodgeball Competition



Eight children represented Twelve Apostles in a Dodgeball Competition at Leigh Sports Village. They had a great afternoon at the competition where they showed great attitude throughout the afternoon and made an outstanding effort. In total they played 7 games in which they won 4 and lost 3. Sadly, that wasn't enough to qualify for the semi-finals but they still showed a positive attitude. Well done to Shay, James, Caitlin, Joe, Kaiden, Ava, Jacob L and Sienna. Good work!

Valentines Day Theme Lunch – 14th February 2023

If your child would like a school dinner on Valentines Day but usually has a packed lunch, please can you notify the school office so your child's name can be added to the Evolve dinner system. It is £2.35 for a school meal. Menu to follow.

ways. During the school week, the children will be taking part:

- **Friday 10th February:** express yourself day – where the children will be invited to come into school in their own fabulous outfits. And bring a £1. The money will go to our nominated charity CAFOD.
- The children will be connecting with the local community by walking and sending cards to the local residents including Westleigh Lodge Care home.
- We will also be connecting with everyone in school through music – learning a whole school dance.

More details to follow- watch this space!

As parents and carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health. Check out our **free resources** for families below

[Families – Children's Mental Health Week \(childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk\)](https://childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk)

No Crossing Patrol Officer

There will be no School Crossing Patrol Officer to man the crossing on Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st January. We sincerely apologise for the inconvenience this may cause.



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